



BIOGRAPHIC DATA

Army General Issa Aleksandrovich PLIYEV
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(U) NAME: Army General Issa Aleksandrovich Pliyev, (PLEE-yeff), Army.

(U) POSITION: Probably a Member of the General Inspectors' Group, Ministry of Defense.



POLITICS:

Internal: Member of the Communist Party since 1926. Reportedly twice expelled from the party, in 1931 and 1938, for "deviations" and "nationalism" but was soon reinstated each time for lack of evidence. Has participated in local party activities and was elected a candidate member of the CPSU Central Committee at the 22d Soviet Party Congress in 1961. Elected a member of the Council of Nationalities of the USSR Supreme Soviet in 1946, 1950, 1954, 1958, 1962, and 1966. Delegate to the 21st Congress of the CPSU from Rostov Oblast in 1959. In 1960 attended the Communist Party Conference in the North Caucasus Military District. Delegate to 23d Communist Party Congress, 1966.

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PERSONAL DATA:

(U) Birth: 1902 in Stary Botako-Yurt village, Pravoberezhnyy District, North Ossetia, in the Caucasus.

Family: Ossetian origin (a minority racial group of the Caucasus).

(U) Description: 5'6", approximately 165 pounds; brown hair and eyes.

(U) Languages: Native Russian.

Decorations: Two times Hero of the Soviet Union, with Gold Star Medal; three Orders of Lenin; two Orders of Suvorov, First Class; Order of Kutuzov, First Class; two Orders of the Red Banner; also medals from foreign governments, including the Order of the Polar Star from the Mongolian People's Republic, and the US Legion of Merit, Degree of Commander, 1944.

CAREER:

1917 - Member of an Ossetian revolutionary cavalry detachment.

1918 - 1920 - Fought in the Civil War.

1922 - Joined the Red Army as a cavalryman.

1923 - 1926 - Attended Krasnodar Cavalry School.

1933 - 1936 - Attended Frunze Military Academy.

1937 - Commander of a Special Cavalry Squadron at Novocherkask in the Caucasus.

1938 - Commander, North Ossetian Cavalry Regiment, at Ordzhonikidze in the Caucasus.

1941 - Graduated from Voroshilov Higher Military Academy (now the Higher Military Academy of the General Staff). Promoted to major general. During World War II Pliyev's unit fought on many Fronts, including the Western, Southwestern, Southern, Stalingrad, Don, Steppe, Ukrainian, and the Belorussian. Commander, 3d Guards Cavalry Division (formerly the 50th Cavalry Division), Nov.

1942 - Commander, III Guards Cavalry Corps. Later broke out with his unit from German encirclement in the North Caucasus, fought in the battle of Stalingrad (now Volgograd), Jul.

1943 - 2d Deputy to the Commander of the Steppe Front. Promoted to lieutenant general, Oct.

1944 - Commander, IV Guards Cavalry Corps, Feb.

1944 - 1945 - Cited in Soviet Orders of the Day for participation in campaigns through Rumania, Hungary, and Czechoslovakia. Commander, 1st Guards Cavalry Army, Jul 45. Mentioned in Soviet Orders of the Day in the Soviet Far East, Transbaykal Front, Aug, 45.

1946 - 1947 - Commander, 57th Army (re-designated 9th Mechanized Army) with headquarters in Craiova, Rumania.

1948 - Reportedly Chief of Staff to Marshal Choibalsan, Commander of Outer Mongolian Forces and Premier of Mongolian People's Republic, Nov.

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1949 - In Moscow, on the Presidium in the Central House of Workers of the Arts on occasion of the 31st anniversary of the Soviet Army and Navy, Feb. Commander, Baku Garrison, Azerbaijan SSR; probably Commander, Baku Air Defense (PVO) District Headquarters, Dec.

1956 - Succeeded in Baku by Col Gen V. D. Ivanov.

1957 - Reportedly Deputy Commander, North Caucasus Military District.

1958 - Commander, North Caucasus Military District, apparently replacing Marshal A. I. Yeremenko.

1969 - Replaced as Commander, North Caucasus Military District by Col Gen A. T. Altunin, Feb; probably has become a Member of the General Inspectors' Group, Ministry of Defense.